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January 20, 2009

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): January 20, 2009

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-31775 86-1062192

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (IRS employer incorporation or organization) File Number) identification number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100

Dallas, Texas 75254

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (972) 490-9600

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#### ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On January 20, 2009, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its preliminary earnings related guidance for the year ended December 31, 2008 and setting earnings release date for the fourth quarter of 2008. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

**Exhibits** 

99.1 Preliminary Earnings Related Guidance and Earnings Release Date for 2008 of the Company, dated January 20, 2009

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#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: January 20, 2009

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ David Brooks David Brooks Chief Legal Officer